For verification of evidence collected and for enabling the Committee to have a first hand knowledge of the Vernacular education now imparted in schools, 23 schools of different grades in the Cochin-Kanayannur Taluk were inspected by the Chairman and the Secretary.

Evidence was also collected by examining the following persons at Trichur.

1. M. R. Ry. A. Krishna Warriar Avl., B. A., L. T., Deputy Inspector of Schools, Vadakkancheri.
2. Mrs. Phillips, Headmistress, Girls' High School, Kunnamkulam.
3. M. R. Ry. C. P. Govindan Nayar Avl., 1st Assistant, C. N. N. High School, Cherpu.
4. M. R. Ry. C. Kunhirama Menon Avl., Trichur.
5. M. R. Ry. T. P. Verghese Avl., Principal, Government Training Institution, Trichur.
6. M. R. Ry. Jos. Verghese Avl., Panchayat President, Koorkancheri.
7. M. R. Ry. V. K. Achyuta Menon Avl., Superintendent, G. T. School, Trichur.
8. M. R. Ry. M. R. Ramaswami Ayyar Avl., Trichur.
9. M. R. Ry. K. Madhava Menon, Avl., B. A., L. T., Deputy Inspector of Schools, Trichur.

A public Conference was also held at Trichur at which several gentlemen gave out their views regarding Vernacular education. For verification of evidence collected, Sirkar High School, Trichur, was also inspected by the Committee.

(c) The Committee is expected to submit its report by the end of Dhanu 1109.

Allowing Cochin Cars to ply in British India—reply from British Government.

319. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar—Will the Government be pleased to state whether final reply has been received from the British Government referred to in the answer to question No. 221 of the Legislative Session of 1108; if so, what is their reply?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—The Member is referred to the answer to the question No. 316.

Insolvency petitions—pendency of.

320. Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of insolvency petitions filed during each of the last three years;

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(b) out of the above, the number heard and disposed of during each of the last three years;

(c) the number of cases pending at present and their age?

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(a)	1105	..	141
	1106	..	160
	1107	..	203
			504
(b)	1105	..	105
	1106	..	133
	1107	..	154
			392

(c) 116. Of these 51 petitions are over 6 months and 65 below 6 months.

Clerks and copyists—Ladies in service—encouragements to.

321. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how many ladies have been appointed in the Registry Department and as copyists in Courts;

(b) how many of them have been confirmed;

(c) the period of service put in by those who have not yet been confirmed;

(d) whether all those who were appointed are continuing in service; and if not,

(e) how many of them are now in service;

(f) whether any special encouragement is given to ladies to enter or continue in service; and if so.

(g) what is it?

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	Registration Department.	*Courts.*
(a)	3	3
(b)	None.	1
(c)	i. 8 months and 4 days.	i. 2 years 5 months and 21 days.
	ii. 4 ,, 18 ,,	ii. 26 days.
	iii. 3 ,, 29 ,,	
(d) and (e).	None.	2
(f)	No.	
(g)	No answer is necessary in view of the answer to (f).	

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